

# CAPTAIN STORM

**WHAT'S THAT??!**  
THE GOVERNMENT OF MIRADOR HAS SEIZED YOUR SHIP?

**—AND EVERY MAN ABOARD!**  
MY MATE—BUCK WHITE, HERE—AND I ESCAPED.

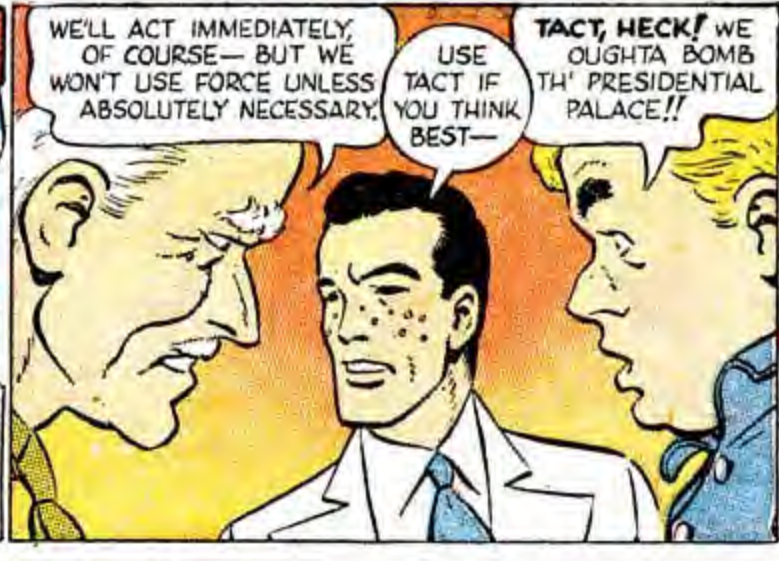
**CAPTAIN STORM AND BUCK HAVE REACHED THE U.S. MARINE BASE AT PARABOA—**



WE'LL ACT IMMEDIATELY, OF COURSE—BUT WE WON'T USE FORCE UNLESS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY.

USE TACTIC IF YOU THINK BEST—

**TACT, HECK! WE OUGHTA BOMB TH' PRESIDENTIAL PALACE!!**



THE SITUATION HARDLY WARRANTS THAT, MR. WHITE—

SERGEANT, HAVE THE WIRELESS OPERATOR REPORT TO ME. I'M SENDING A MESSAGE TO GENERAL LOPEZ!



**FIVE MINUTES LATER**

COME ON, BUCK—COLONEL ROCKWOOD'S SENDING PLANES TO PUERTA GRANDE, TO GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS. WE'RE GOING ALONG!

CAP'N—WHEN YOU TOLD HIM WHAT HAPPENED, WHY DIDN'T YOU MENTION ROSITA HAYES—I MEAN LOPEZ? SHE STARTED IT ALL, AN'—



BUCK! JUST FORGET ABOUT THAT! SHE HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH IT—

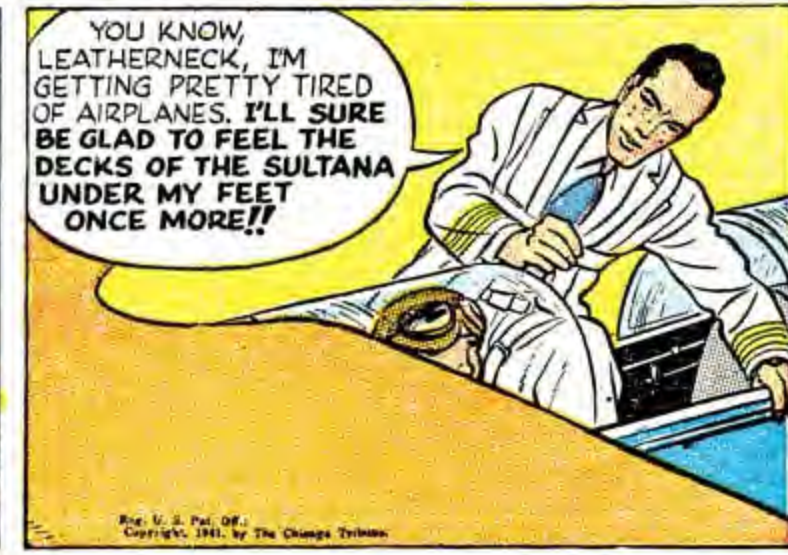
**UNDERSTAND??!**

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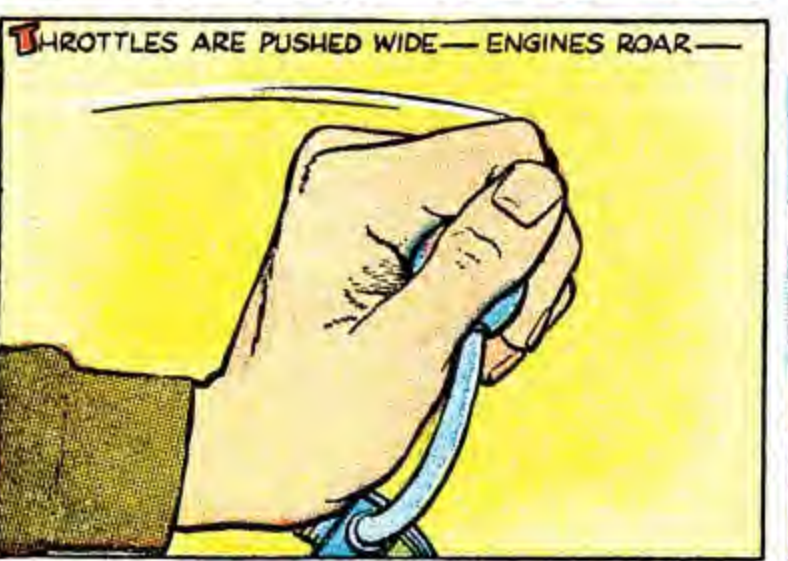
OH!—YEAH, YEAH, I THINK I UNDERSTAND—!



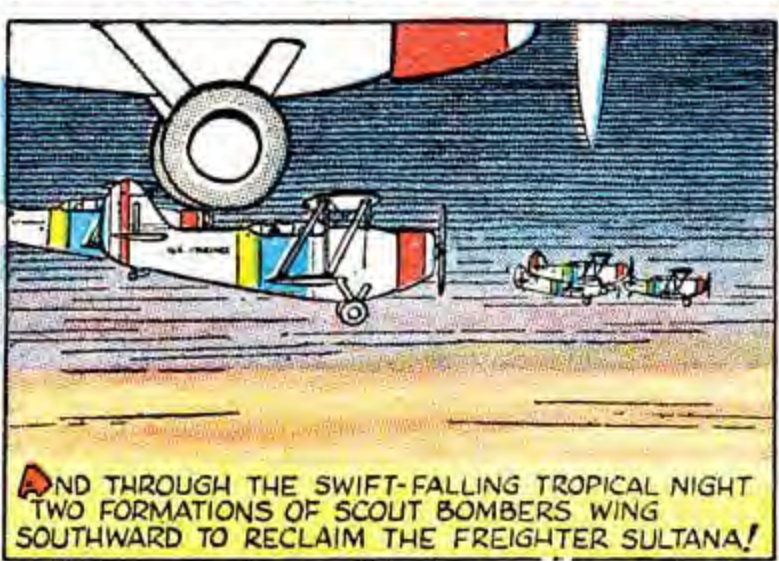
YOU KNOW, LEATHERNECK, I'M GETTING PRETTY TIRED OF AIRPLANES. I'LL SURE BE GLAD TO FEEL THE DECKS OF THE SULTANA UNDER MY FEET ONCE MORE!!



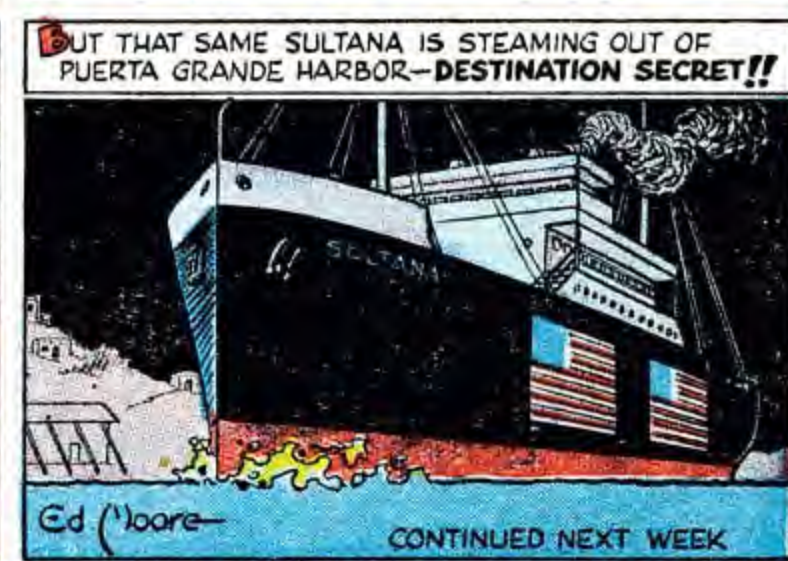
**THROTTLES ARE PUSHED WIDE—ENGINES ROAR—**



**AND THROUGH THE SWIFT-FALLING TROPICAL NIGHT TWO FORMATIONS OF SCOUT BOMBERS WING SOUTHWARD TO RECLAIM THE FREIGHTER SULTANA!**



**BUT THAT SAME SULTANA IS STEAMING OUT OF PUERTA GRANDE HARBOR—DESTINATION SECRET!!**



Ed Moore

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# CAPTAIN STORM

by ED MOORE



WELCOME TO PUERTA GRANDE AND MIRADOR! YOUR COLONEL ROCKWOOD HAVE RADIO US OF YOUR COMING—

ON A SO-CALLED "COURTESY FLIGHT" TO THE NEW REGIME IN MIRADOR, SIX U. S. MARINES SCOUT BOMBERS SET DOWN AT PUERTA GRANDE—



WE WEE! DRIVE TO THE PRESIDENT'S PALACE. GENERAL LOPEZ IS EXPECT' HIS HONORED GUESTS!

I'VE SEEN THIS GUY BEFORE—BUT HE DOESN'T SEEM TO RECOGNIZE ME—!

I CAN HARDLY WAIT TO SEE LOPEZ'S FACE WHEN WE WALK IN, CAP'N!!



AH, MY GOOD FRIENDS, THE UNITED STATES MARINES, COME TO PAY THEIR RESPECTS TO MY NEW REGIME OF LIBERATION AND TOLERANCE!

HE MUST NOT SEE US—!



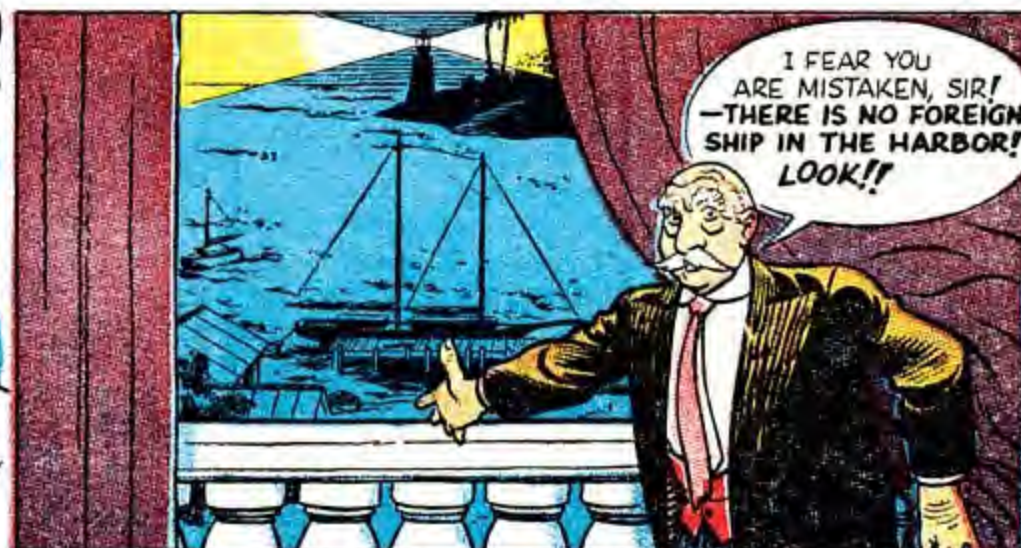
BUT— YOU COME ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE THAT I HAVE NOT THE TIME TO PREPARE THE MAGNIFICENT RECEPTION!

I DON'T LIKE TO INTERRUPT, GENERAL—BUT WE'RE AFTER THE SULTANA!!



PARDON? THE SULTANA—?? I-I DO NOT QUITE UNDERSTAND! WHAT IS THE SULTANA?

STOP TRYING TO BE COY! WE WANT MY SHIP, THE SULTANA. IT'S LYING AT ANCHOR IN THE HARBOR RIGHT NOW!



I FEAR YOU ARE MISTAKEN, SIR! —THERE IS NO FOREIGN SHIP IN THE HARBOR! LOOK!!



WILL YOU TAKE YOUR HANDS OFF ME —OR SHALL I CALL THE GUARD??

LISSEN, YOU PHONEY—WHERE'D YUH SEND IT??

LET HIM GO, BUCK!



WE'LL GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS SOME OTHER—

ROSITA!!

OH! PARDON ME!



JUST A SECOND! MAYBE YOU CAN TELL US WHERE MY SHIP IS. YOUR FATHER, HERE, SEEMS TO BE ABSENT MINDED!

MY FATHER?! SENOR, THERE IS THE BEEG MISTAKE! I AM JUST A TYPIST, HERE IN THE PRESIDENTIAL PALACE!!

SAY!! WHAT GOES ON HERE? ARE YOU SAILORS TRYING TO PULL A FAST ONE??

SO THAT IS THE GENERAL'S SCHEME — TO DISCOUNT STORM'S STORY! AND IT'S BEGINNING TO WORK!!



# CAPTAIN STORM

ED MOORE

SO YOU, GENERAL LOPEZ, DENY THAT YOU'VE EVER SEEN EITHER THE SULTANA OR ME BEFORE—AND ROSITA, YOUR DAUGHTER, EVEN DENIES SHE'S YOUR DAUGHTER!

I AM BUT THE POOR TYPIST—

IS THIS MAN INSANE??



COME ON, LEATHERNECK—WE AREN'T DOING ANY GOOD HERE!

THIS HERE "SEE NO EVIL—HEAR NO EVIL—SPEAK NO EVIL" STUNT IS GOOD—BUT WE KNOW YOU TOOK TH' SHIP!



THIS LOOKS MIGHTY FUNNY—ER—CAPTAIN STORM, YOU'RE SURE WE'RE AT THE RIGHT PLACE??

SURE I'M SURE, THERE'S A STEVEDORE—WE'LL TALK TO HIM.



AH, BUT SENORS! THERE HAVE BEEN NO 'MERICAN SHIP EEN THEES HARBOR FOR THREE-FOUR WEEKS. THE LAST ONE, EET WAS THE LASCAR. I HELP UNLOAD EET, MY OWN HANDS!



WHO TOLD YOU TO SAY THAT??

N-NO ONE, SENOR!! NO ONE!!

LET HIM GO, SAILOR—AND RELAX! AND DON'T LET THIS HAPPEN AGAIN—THE MARINES DON'T LIKE WILD-GOOSE CHASES!



THE SULTANA WAS HERE! THEY MUST HAVE MOVED IT DOWN THE COAST SOMEWHERE—!

WE GOTTA MAKE A SEARCH FROM TH' AIR!

DO I LOOK NUTS??



BUT I TELL YOU IT'S THE TRUTH! THEY TOOK MY SHIP— THEN THEY CONTRIVED THIS FANTASTIC SCHEME IN ORDER TO GET AWAY WITH IT!

I'VE SEEN GUYS GO BATTY FROM THE HEAT BEFORE—BUT NEVER DID I SEE TWO OF 'EM HAVE THE SAME DREAMS AT THE SAME TIME!



CAPTAIN STORM!! CAPTAIN STORM!!

WHAT TH-??

IT-IT'S SHOREMAN, THE COMPANY AGENT! WHY DIDN'T WE THINK OF HIM BEFORE??!



CAPTAIN! I JUST ESCAPED LOPEZ'S SECRET POLICE—AND I KNOW WHAT BECAME OF THE SULTANA—UGH!!

GENERAL LOPEZ HAS STRUCK!—AND CAPTAIN STORM MAY WELL BE THE NEXT TARGET!!